

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE BILL NO. 513

BY SENATOR CROWE

ADMINISTRATION DIVISION. Prohibits the Department of Economic Development or the office of entertainment industry development from certifying certain film projects. (8/1/12)

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 51:940.1, relative to standards and procedures for the state Department of Economic Development or the office of entertainment industry development; to prohibit certain certifications by the Department of Economic Development or the office of entertainment industry development; to prohibit the approval of certain certifications; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 51:940.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

**§940.1. Motion picture investor; prohibition on certification for pornographic materials**

**A. Purpose. The purpose of this Section is to provide heightened standards and procedures by the Department of Economic Development or the office of entertainment industry development.**

**B. The Department of Economic Development or the office of entertainment industry development shall not certify any film project which the production company must register pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §2257. Every motion picture production company applicant shall submit to the department or office,**

- 1           **as applicable, a statement certifying that it is not required to maintain records**  
2           **pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §2257.**
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The original instrument was prepared by Carla S. Roberts. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Ann S. Brown.

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#### DIGEST

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Proposed law provides that the Department of Economic Development (DED) or the office of entertainment industry development (the office) shall not certify any film project in which the production company must register pursuant to federal criminal codes relative to the production of certain film, books, magazines, or other materials which sexually exploit children. Requires every motion picture production company applicant to submit to the department or office, as applicable, a statement certifying that it is not required to maintain records pursuant to the federal law.

Effective August 1, 2012.

(Adds R.S. 51:940.1)

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

##### Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the original bill

1. Deletes applicability of the provisions relative to the expenditure of state funds by the division of administration.
2. Adds new law prohibiting DED or the Office of Entertainment Industry Development from certifying any film project in which the production company must register pursuant to federal criminal codes relative to the production of certain materials which sexually exploit children.

##### Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Clarifies that the required certified statement, from motion picture production companies, must be submitted to the department or office as applicable.
2. Makes Legislative Bureau technical changes.